

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

May 11, 2021

Introduced by Sen. HARCKHAM -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Local Government -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the village law and the public officers law, in relation to authorizing building inspectors, fire inspectors and code enforcement officers of the village of Buchanan to live within Westchester County or an adjoining county

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The village of Buchanan, Westchester county, has employed
2 individuals that reside outside of the political subdivision or municipi-
3 pal corporation as building inspector, fire inspector, and code enforce-
4 ment officer of the village in violation of section 3 of the public
5 officers law and section 3-300 of the village law. Notwithstanding this
6 defect, the employment of such individuals as building inspector, fire
7 inspector, and code enforcement officer is hereby validated, legalized,
8 ratified and confirmed, notwithstanding the absence of prior legislative
9 approval.

10 § 2. Section 3-300 of the village law is amended by adding a new
11 subdivision 31 to read as follows:

12 31. Notwithstanding any provisions of this chapter or any other gener-
13 al law, local law, ordinance, or special act, the village board of trus-
14 tees of the incorporated village of Buchanan, Westchester county, may,
15 by resolution, provide that the office of building inspector, fire
16 inspector and code enforcement officers of such village, need not be a
17 resident of such village, but may be held by a person who is not a resi-
18 dent of such village, provided that such person resides within Westches-
19 ter county or an adjoining county within the state of New York.

20 § 3. Section 3 of the public officers law is amended by adding a new
21 subdivision 71 to read as follows:

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 71. In the village of Buchanan, in the county of Westchester, the
2 provisions of this section requiring a person to be a resident of the
3 political subdivision or municipal corporation of the state for which he
4 or she shall be chosen or within which his or her official functions are
5 required to be exercised, shall not prevent a person from holding the
6 office of building inspector, fire inspector and code enforcement offi-
7 cers of such village, provided that the person performing the functions
8 of building inspector, fire inspector and code enforcement officers in
9 any other village shall reside in Westchester county or an adjoining
10 county of the state of New York; provided, however that the person
11 performing the functions of building inspector, fire inspector and code
12 enforcement officers in any other village shall be a resident of such
13 village unless otherwise provided by law.

14 § 4. This act shall take effect immediately.